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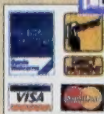
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9-1-1 Coming On Line December 10th

As of December 10, if you are experiencing an emergency, just dial 911 to get emergency assistance.

That's right... the long awaited implementation of Haliburton County's 911 service has finally arrived.

To celebrate the launch and to commemorate the efforts of the team that put the Public Emergency Reporting System together, the county is respectfully inviting its citizens to attend the 9-1-1 Launch Ceremony being held December 10 at noon at the County Council Chambers, 11 Newcastle Street in Minden.

The ceremony will consist of speeches from the Warden and several emergency service agency representatives, followed by the ceremonial official first 9-1-1 call.

Refreshments will be served. Don't miss out on this historic event - and hats off to all those hard working team members who made this all possible!! We thank you and we applaud your hard work and determination!!

Things to remember:

Follow these simple guidelines for using 9-1-1:

- 1: When you dial 9-1-1, you are asking for help from the police, fire department, or medical services. You should only call 9-1-1 in case of an EMERGENCY.
- 2: Remain calm and speak clearly. Give direct answers to all the

questions asked. Speak slowly and clearly. You will be asked additional questions so the dispatcher can send the right type of help. All questions are important.

3: Provide required information by answering the 9-1-1 operator's questions:

- **What is the emergency?** Do you need fire, police and/or ambulance?
- **Where is the emergency?** Give the complete address, Give complete address, including any building name or number, apartment, unit number or nearest cross street. They usually know this by the number that the call is being made from, but this may not be where the emergency is.
- **Who needs help?** - Provide the age and number of people, and the condition of the people.
- **Is anyone trapped?** - has everyone made it safely out of the building.

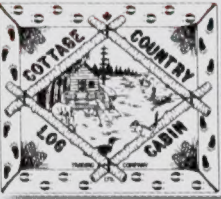
4: Follow all instruction exactly as the 9-1-1 operator tells you.

5: Don't hang up. - Wait until the 9-1-1 operator releases the call, because they may need to get further information from you. The operator will always give you instructions before hanging up and reassure you that help will be there soon.

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CULTURED STONE



Business Just Rolling Along...

by Stephen Patrick

bad. The really bad? When the Minden Jug City burned to the ground on February 14th, 1994. The really good? The Minden Hills Lanes, which rose out of the ashes.

The Minden Jug City store was just one of a number of convenience stores owned by the family of Ray Moore.

The Moore family originally owned and operated Jug City stores in Bracebridge and Gravenhurst and in the early 1980s opened branches in Carnarvon, Haliburton, Minden, Bobcaygeon and Fenelon Falls. The Jug City stores were true family businesses, with a reputation for community service, fairness to employees and the best (and cheapest) take out coffee in town. Many of the Moore's six children became involved in all aspects of the business, and Ray himself was even Reeve of Minden for a term in the 1980s.

When the Minden store burned down in 1994, the family took a good hard look at what the community might need and support in the way of new business. They replaced the Jug City store, of course, but then had the terrific idea of using the property's sloping elevation to build a state of the art six-lane bowling alley underneath the convenience store. So Minden Hills Lanes was born, a bright and welcoming space tucked behind the store on Highway 35 in Minden. Soon, Ray's son Scott, along with his wife Michelle, became the sole proprietors of the bowling alley business.

Scott and Michelle knew right from the outset that they had to work hard to gain their share of the "entertainment dollar" in

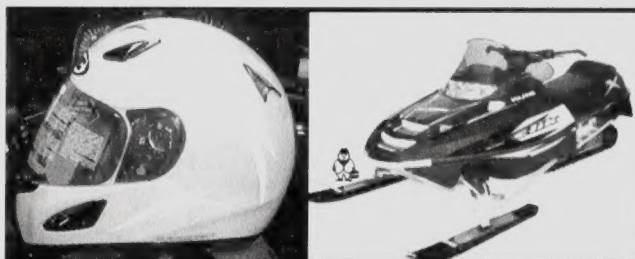
the community. They were both experienced and competitive bowlers and they were fully aware of just how important it would be to make their bowling centre a community-oriented business. Bowling is a family entertainment (it's still not recognized by the government as a "sport") that's survived for decades all over North America despite ferocious competition and with almost no press and media attention.

Some of the reasons it survives can be found at Minden Hills. Michelle and Scott organize and welcome leagues from all parts of the community. Every Saturday they welcome their Youth Bowlers (ages 4 - 18) who compete over 33 weeks for terrific prizes and trips.

They have a very popular Special Olympics League, organized by Linda Brandon, for special needs high school students. And each week they also host an adult Community Living League. The Legion has its own league as well, and

there are Mixed Adult and Senior Leagues right through the year.

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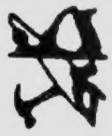
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9-1-1: Handy Tips On Correct Usage Cont'd....

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And remember, that just because they are on the line asking questions, that doesn't mean that they don't already have someone on the way.

Remember, 9-1-1 is a simple emergency telephone number, which makes it easier and faster for you to reach police, fire, and ambulance when you require immediate assistance. You can dial 911 from a home, cellular (mobile) or pay phone in Ontario at no charge.

For home and pay phones, the 9-1-1 system will display the phone number and the street address of the caller's phone on a computer screen. However, if you call from a cellular phone, you must provide your location using the address of the closest building or street intersection.

Before emergency help arrives, there are a few simple tips you can do to help the situation:

Assure everyone that help is on the way; keep the phone lines clear in case the 9-1-1 team needs to contact you again; secure all pets to keep them away from emergency personnel; turn on the porch light, wave a flashlight or turn on a car's flasher's if it's dark or visibility is poor; direct someone to wait out front to meet the emergency personnel if you can; have a visible address number, easily readable from the street – always keep your emergency number free from obstructions.

"Quotable Quotes"

Quite frankly, teachers are the only profession that teach our children.

Dan Quayle

If you don't know where you're going, you'll end up somewhere else.

Yogi Berra

When Should You Call 9-1-1?

When someone is:

Choking; bleeding; experiencing symptoms of heart attack; experiencing difficulty breathing; having a life threatening emergency.

When you see:

A crime in progress; a motor vehicle accident, or are involved in one; see a tornado or any type of severe weather; a dangerous situation like a gas leak or an electric line down; something on fire.

When should you NOT call 9-1-1?

To Report:

A dog barking; loud music; vehicles parked improperly; vandalism to your property when the suspect is no longer there.

To Find Out:

When a court date is; about road conditions in bad weather, if schools are closed for the day; a phone number that you need.

And do not call 9-1-1 to test the system. If you do call 9-1-1 by accident, don't hang up. Stay on the line and explain the mistake. The 9-1-1 system is designed so that the call is always received by the 9-1-1 operator, so if you get disconnected for any reason, they can still get help for you. If you do hang up, they will automatically call you back and ask to speak to an adult. They will also send a police officer to your house, especially if they did not speak with an adult.

Call Centre in Sudbury...

So where do our emergency 911 calls get answered? From a call centre in Sudbury believe it or not. This call centre fields a number of calls from the Ontario locations. We hope to have more on the call centre for the next issue.

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Minden Lanes Has Produced Some Top Quality Bowlers

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To accommodate all their clientele, and to make sure the lanes remain smoke free, the Moores now offer a completely ventilated separate smoking room.

The Adult and Youth Leagues have produced some top quality bowlers (along with Michelle and Scott)! Every year Haliburton County bowlers go to the highest-level provincial competitions. And each Easter the Minden Lanes are well represented at the four-day provincial finals held at the Sherway Lanes in Hamilton. Eight hundred bowlers participate in front of up to 3000 spectators for top honours.



gutters so each child has a real chance to succeed. There's space for all the kids to exchange their presents, and if you wish, you're even welcome to bring your own pizza or treats. The most amazing part of all? Mom and dad get to go home to a clean house!

Minden Lanes is on Highway 35 in Minden. For reservations and Open Bowling Times please contact Scott or Michelle at 705 286-1476, or check out their website at www.mindenlanes.s5.com

This picture isn't overdeveloped... it's a shot of the bowling alley during the Glow in the Dark bowling night... you gotta see it for yourself - what a blast!!

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Full snack bar and LLBO service is also available. So it's no wonder that Minden Lanes is one of the County's most popular spots for business get-togethers, company events, and children and family birthdays. Michelle and Scott provide a family birthday party for your child that is absolutely irresistible. For just \$6 each child gets a full game, shoes, a soft drink and a pizza pocket. Scott introduces and supervises the game, and helps keep score (if anyone's counting) and also adds a little necessary order to the proceedings. The lanes are equipped with unique children's barriers that keep the balls out of the



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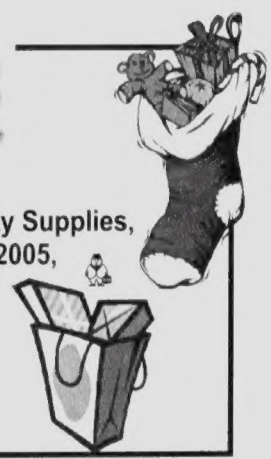
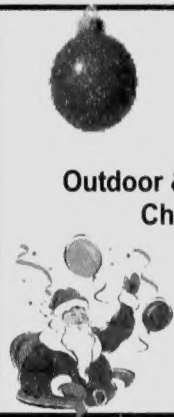
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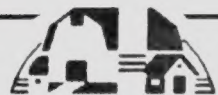
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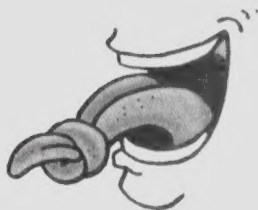


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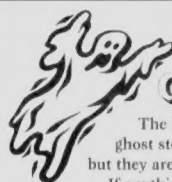
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Submitted by Christina de
Wolff of Haliburton

**"The sixth sheik's
sixth sheep's sick"**



GHOST STORIES

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts!! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...

War Memorial Hospital - Perth

This story found on the Internet is also backed up in Barabara Smith's book Ontario Ghost Stories.

Cursed Malloch Family Haunt War Memorial Hospital

The hospital started off as a private palace named Victoria Hall for Judge John Glass Malloch. The story goes that some of the building materials sent to the hospital were late in delivery and, at first, the judge said that he would delay payment but, when the time came, he refused to pay for them at all even though they had finally been delivered and used in the construction of the home.

The man responsible for the materials, being very non-plussed and realising that suing a magistrate would probably not be a prudent move, cursed the judge and the entire Malloch family.

The curse was, as long as the building was for their personal use, the judge and his family would suffer but, if the building was turned into something that would benefit the community, all would be well.

True to the curse, the family all suffered ill health and premature deaths until, after forty years, there were no descendants to claim the house and the home was left to the community to serve as a hospital.

Even though the curse's "terms" have been met, there are still reports of the apparitions of the unfortunate Malloch family seen in the hospital especially in a second story window looking very much as they would in their final moments... deathly ill... but, no one has ever been harmed by the spirits who some feel are still cursed in death.

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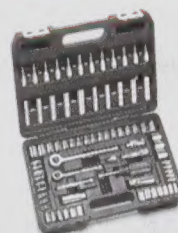
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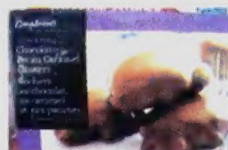


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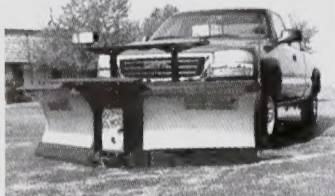
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Clean but noisy ...

In Massachusetts, snoring is prohibited unless all bedroom windows are closed and securely locked and it is illegal to go to bed without first having a full bath.

A Helpful Hint To Keep Your Head Fresh...

Lettuce and celery will keep longer if stored in the refrigerator in paper bags instead of cellophane ones. Do not remove the outside leaves of either until ready to use.

The rare Joanne & Brett Irvine Butterfly Loves Flying South For The Winter - But Can't Cause of a Disease Called "Work"

Many species of butterflies, like birds, fly south for the winter.

Let Them Eat Dirt... I Mean Cake...

The "last meal" for Death Row inmates has become embedded in the American death-penalty ritual. Reporters have dutifully recorded the last meal menus: John Wayne Gacy had fried chicken and strawberries; Ted Bundy passed on steak and eggs; James Smith, executed in Texas in 1990, requested a "lump of dirt" (request was denied); Missouri inmate Lloyd Schlup asked for venison and hare (request was granted).

No Storm Warning Broadcasts I Guess...

The worst storm to hit southern England occurred on the night of November 26, 1703. The English writer Daniel Defoe described the storm in his diary. About 8,000 people died, mainly at sea.

For You Lovers Of The Love Flower...

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Haliburton Silver Flutes:

The Haliburton Highlands Silver Flutes, under the capable leadership of Bandmaster Bill Medland, took part in six Santa Claus Parades this fall.

Starting on Saturday, November 20th, when the Laidlaw Bus, with Driver Ron, took them to Newmarket, then Keswick and culminating on Sunday at the Toronto 100th Santa Claus Parade. The following weekend took them to Minden, Fenelon Falls and finally Haliburton.

With the exception of the Toronto Parade, where the Flutes combined with the Toronto Derry Band, the band was led by Drum Major Jonathan English; with Danny VanNoode as Lead Drummer.

The Banner was carried by two new recruits, Nicky and Cody Hunt. Nick Chumbley was, as usual, the Music Director with James Jowett beating time on the Base Drum, being relieved on occasion by Cymbal player Willy Curtis. Shelly VanNoode did her usual terrific job as 'Band Mother'. The Canadian Flag was carried in the Toronto and Fenlon



Piping & Drumming Their Way In Many A Parade

Falls parades by Kris Nicholls. Unfortunately at this time the Band does not have a Haliburton County Flag.

These parades gave the band a chance to show off their new \$3,000. "G" flutes.

This makes a total of eleven parades the Flutes have taken part in this season. The Band was very well received in Toronto, with the calls of "Hurray for Haliburton" and "See you next Summer" coming from the crowds

Why Not Join The Fun

The Band is always willing to take new members. Musical knowledge is not necessary and anyone over the age of nine years may join and there is no cost. Also

volunteers are needed to carry flags, etc

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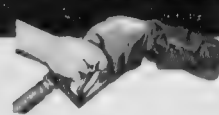
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Shriners: Men With Cool Hats Who Drive Around In Parades In Mini Cars

"Behind the fun some pretty serious business is going on that's helping thousands..."

Ask someone what a Shriner is and the answer's likely to be, "aren't they the guys in the funny hats who drive around in kiddie cars at the parade?"

And they'd be right, too. But the Shriners aren't all funny hats and kiddie cars - far from it. The Shriners, an offshoot of the Masonic Order, was founded in 1872 in New York as, wait for it, the "Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America". It's composed solely of 3rd degree Masons, and now numbers over 600,000 members throughout North America and Mexico. The Shriners have been dedicated to raising money for charities since its inception, but since 1920 has been devoted almost exclusively to providing free orthopaedic and burn related medical care to children. These guys in funny hats support Orthopaedic and Burn Hospitals to the tune of almost \$400 million dollars each and every year.

Where does the money come from? Well, in the Haliburton and Algonquin area you could do worse than to ask Bancroft's Frank Wilson. Frank was a founding member of the Algonquin Shrine Club in 1987, which includes members from Minden, Haliburton, Bancroft, Whitney, and parts in between. Other founding members included the late Chester Schwandt, Harold Herlihy, Gord Monk and the late Dr. Harry Good.

Frank points out that our local Shriners are busy with fund raising almost all year long. The ATV unit (you'll see them in the parades) runs a raffle each year and they support nine parades in the area throughout the year. They hold fundraising barbecues and a golf tournament and organize a big carnival night each year at the Bancroft high school.

About half of the monies raised goes to transport children and their guardians from their communities to the 19 Orthopaedic and 3 Burn hospitals the Shriners support. The Shriners

pay for all expenses for the children and their families while they are in these hospitals. In addition they provide support and care for the family throughout the child's recovery at home. Professional counselling is available so that families can deal with feelings of guilt and frustration that often arises with an injured or disabled child.

The remaining funds go directly to the Shriner Hospitals. During the past few years the Algonquin Shriners have provided transportation and support for local children to Shriners Hospitals as far away as Boston, Erie, and Montreal. In addition, they provide support for

the Haliburton and Bancroft Hospitals.

Ron Mark is a long-time Shriner who this year is raising money by selling the world-famous Linkert Christmas cakes around the County. The Shriners province-wide have had a long and important association with Linkerts and each year purchase upwards of 15,000 of the cakes from the Wilberforce bakery.

So the next time you see these guys in their funny hats in their funny cars, just remember that behind the fun, some pretty serious business is going on that's helping tens of thousands of children and their families overcome some of life's worst tragedies.

Oh... and don't forget to buy your Linkert Bakery fruit cake!! Representatives from the local Shriner Club are around and about throughout the Holiday Season in such places as Stedman's Mall in Haliburton, in grocery stores, and - well - around. You can't miss them. Just look for the guys with the cool hats selling Christmas fruit cakes!!

Pictured above are Shriner's Dave Bulford (left) and Ron Mark who were spotted at the Stedman's Mall in Haliburton selling Christmas Cakes.

Below is one of the local Shriner's during the recent Haliburton Santa Claus Parade.



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Nevada Tickets Help Local Groups

In Wilberforce: Tickets Now Raise Money For Local Firefighters Association



There's a new way residents of Wilberforce can help the Monmouth Fire Department. It's through the sale of Nevada Tickets purchased at The Variety Store in Wilberforce. All profits from the sale of the tickets now go directly to our local fire fighters association who in turn use the

money to help fund local community functions such as figure skating, minor hockey, soccer, baseball and more

"All the money will stay in the community," says local firefighter Dave Burton. "We're really excited about it. People can enjoy playing it and all the money goes right back into the community. You can win some major money too. For 50 cents you can now win up to \$300." That's right each new batch includes one \$300 winner, and a variety of other prize amounts such as a few \$100 prizes, some \$50 prize amounts,

\$25 and so on. Of course, lottery rules apply - you must be 18 or older to play

Storeowners Jan and Clarence Cole are more than happy to carry the Nevada tickets in their store and have the proceeds going to the fire department. "We're thrilled about it," says Jan. "It helps us all in the community doesn't it. We've wanted to see the money go to them for a long time, so this is great."

So if you're looking to cash in on some winnings while in Wilberforce, be sure to give your luck a try at the Nevada tickets at The Variety store. The store is open 365 days a year from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. They can be reached at 448-3669



In Minden: Tickets From Dollos Now Benefiting Home Support

The story is similar in Minden. Haliburton County Home Support is now benefitting from the sales of Nevada Tickets found at Dollos IGA. Everytime you buy a ticket, you are helping this great cause.

Throughout the county there are Nevada Tickets. Always watch for the sign of who is benefiting from the sale, and try your luck. Either way, you are winning!!

Pictured above with store owner Jan is firefighter's, Sean Finlay and Dave Burton.



Right: Jamie Dollo with Donna MacDonald of Home Support Services



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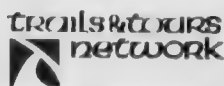
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"I realize it's terrible weather out there and I have this huge house all to myself, but I'm recently widowed," she explained. "I'm afraid the neighbors will talk if I let you stay in my house."

"Don't worry," Jack said. "We'll be happy to sleep in the barn. And if the weather breaks, we'll be gone at first light." The lady agreed, and the two men found >>> their way to the barn and settled in for the night. Come morning, the weather had cleared, and they got on their way. They enjoyed a great weekend of skiing.

But about nine months later, Jack got an unexpected letter from an attorney. It took him a few minutes to figure it out, but he finally determined that it was from the attorney of that attractive widow he had met on the ski weekend. He dropped in on his friend Bob and asked, "Bob, do you remember that good-looking widow from the farm we stayed at on our ski holiday up North about 9 months >>> ago?"

"Yes, I do," said Bob

"Did you, er, happen to get up in the middle of the night, go up to the house and pay her a visit?"

"Well, um, yes," Bob said, a little embarrassed about being found out. "I have to admit that I did."

"And did you happen to use my name instead of telling her your name?"

Bob's face turned beet red and he said, "Yeah, look, I'm sorry, buddy. I'm afraid I did." "Why do you ask?"

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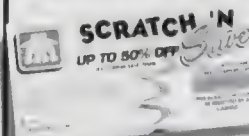
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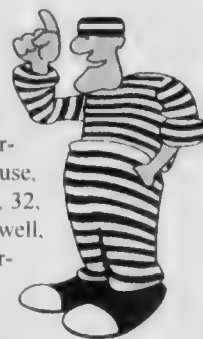
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Dumb Criminals

READY, FIRE, AIM: Three men raided a house in Aurora, Ill., in what police believe was a drug-related robbery. The trio shot and wounded a victim in the house and, in the resulting confusion, then apparently opened fire on each other. Kevin House, 31, was shot in the butt; Patrick Dawkins, 32, was hit in the hand and foot; Kenneth I. Powell, 30, was shot in the leg. The trio was arrested. "With all three shooting themselves, it undoubtedly helped bring a rather quick resolution to the case," said a police spokesman.



SEARCH AND SEIZURE: When Clyde Lamar Pace II, 18, arrived at the Polk County (Iowa) courthouse for a hearing on drug and traffic charges, he emptied his pockets into a plastic tray so he could pass through a metal detector. One of the things he tossed in the tray: a bag of marijuana, sheriff deputies say. "The person working the security post said, 'Hey, what is this?'," said a sheriff's spokesman. "He kind of gave that old I've-been-caught look, and the chase was on." Pace tried to run out the door, but it was locked. He was arrested and charged with drug possession, causing him to miss his court hearing.

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"You never make one so good that you can't do a little something to make them better", says Murray Linkert, master baker, aviator, storyteller and inventor of the world-famous Linkert Fruit Cake. Which is perhaps one reason why baking has been a family obsession for all of Murray's 83 years.

Murray Linkert invented his famous fruitcake as a young teenager experimenting in his mother's kitchen. Murray's father and uncle were the founders of Linkert's bakery, a greatly loved and respected business in Hamilton's hard-working north end. Murray helped his family at the bakery and in return was paid in bakery supplies to continue his experiments. Soon he was selling his concoctions – and falling asleep during school due to all his hard work at home!

During the 1940s Murray worked for various bakeries, including Jackson's in Hamilton, before joining the Air Force in 1946 with his brother Jack. And even during his Air Force years Murray still baked, managing to turn out over 400 pounds of cakes from his tiny stove in his base apartment for family and friends. He was constantly experimenting, particularly since the consistency of ingredients could never be guaranteed. What if a shipment of raisins tasted slightly different? Or the currents were a little sharper, or the ovens uneven, or the air pressure low? Murray knew very well that the true art of hands-on baking was the ability to innovate and create whenever needed.

In the late 1950s Murray and his brother Jack moved to Wilberforce with their families and soon opened the Mary Ann bakery. The Mary Ann was a great success all during the sixties and seventies supplying the community with a great variety of baked goods from breads to cakes to meat pies.

In 1980 Murray moved the bakery to Haliburton and was soon doing a roaring business supplying grocery stores across Ontario. At one time it employed up to 35 people, and Murray, then in his sixties, was working twenty-hour days and sleeping the other four on a cot in the kitchen. After a few years the pace, and the slow winters, convinced Murray to move the bakery back to Wilberforce and concentrate on his most famous invention, his Linkert Fruit Cake as well as creating some other "to die for" tasty treats.

During the busy summers of the 1970s Murray and Jack had employed a local girl named Janet

Barker to help out in the store. Many years later Janet returned to Wilberforce and found Murray still running the bakery, still experimenting, still telling bad jokes and teasing the girls. Soon Janet became a partner, and finally, the owner of the bakery. With Murray's permission, of course, she changed the name to Linkert Country Bakery, in honour of Murray and his family.



The company has flourished with Janet at the helm, and with Murray always on hand to lend advice, and maybe a little more experimentation. The Linkert Fruit Cake is described as a product that "cannot be commercially surpassed". This is because the cakes are essentially still home made with all fresh ingredients, and no preservatives.

Linkerts is what's known as a "scratch" bakery, meaning it uses no frozen or pre-packaged dough. The fruit is hand selected and marinated overnight in liqueur. The

cakes are baked in basswood frames and are deemed "done" when Janet or Murray or their staff decides so. All products, including their shortbreads and meat pies, are made on site with the help of long-term employees Teresa Davidson and Candy Hutchinson.

Linkerts is now a solely wholesale operation, with much of its product going to the Shriners and other corporate entities. Locally, Agnews General Store in Wilberforce and the Harcourt Park Store still carry their goods in-

cluding the unbelievable Linkert Cheese Buns & Cheese Bread. Now we're not talking a bun with some cheese on top – we're talking real cheese baked right in and throughout the uniquely shaped bun. And fresh!...these buns, even after frozen, taste like they were just made. Try them toasted with breakfast and

you'll never want regular toast

again. They are great with every meal – trust me! If you can get your hands on a bag of these – do it!!

For those who own stores, you may want to visit Linkert's Bakery and sample some of the great treats they have to offer. One taste and you're sure to want to include these products on your shelf.

And as for Murray, now aged 83 years young? He's still experimenting, and has recently produced a new Hawaiian Fruit Cake, which, I can personally guarantee, is unique and delicious.

You can reach Linkerts at 705 448-2455 or 1-800-663-0330.



The World's First Crossword - The History

As promised, the Communicator will start running Crosswords. We felt what better place to start than the World's First Crossword.

Arthur Wynne had the job of devising the weekly puzzle page for Fun, the eight-page comic section of the New York World. When he devised what he called a Word-cross for the Christmas 1913 edition, published on 21 December he could have no idea that he would be starting a worldwide craze.

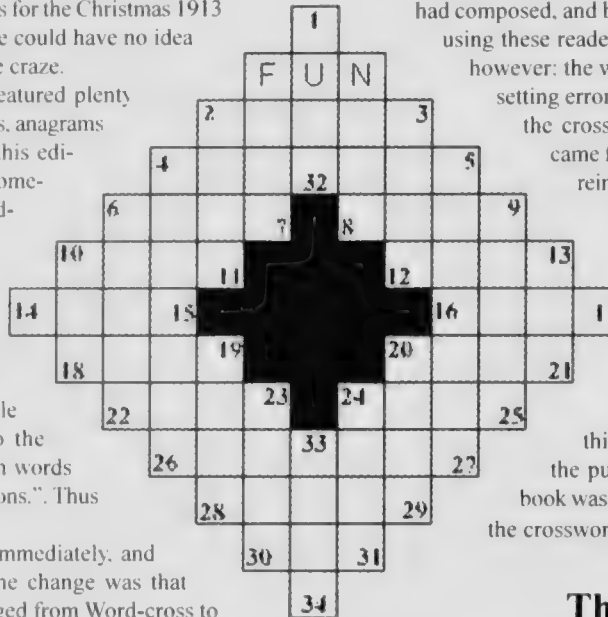
The puzzle page had previously featured plenty of word squares, rebuses, hidden words, anagrams and connect-the-dots drawings. For this edition Wynne decided he would have something new. He sketched out a diamond-shaped grid, wrote FUN, the name of the comic section, across the top squares, and started filling in the rest of the grid. He numbered the squares at the start and end of each word, and wrote definition clues for the words he had filled in. The puzzle was printed with the instruction to the solver: "Fill in the small squares with words which agree with the following definitions.". Thus was the crossword born.

The new puzzle became popular immediately, and continued to appear every week. One change was that after a few weeks the name was changed from Word-cross to Cross-word. After experimenting with different shapes, including a circular puzzle, Wynne eventually settled on a rectangular pattern. It was not until some time later that the hyphen was dropped,

and the Cross-word became a Crossword.

From the very first, readers began sending in crosswords they had composed, and by February 1914, Wynne was regularly using these readers' submissions. There was a problem, however: the weekly crossword was plagued by type-setting errors, and as a result it was decided to drop the crossword. An immediate howl of outrage came from the readers, and the crossword was reinstated after an absence of only one week.

Surprisingly, despite their popularity, crosswords appeared nowhere else but the New York World. Then in 1924, a couple of newly-qualified graduates of the Columbia School of Journalism, called Dick Simon and Lincoln Schuster, set up in business as publishers. Looking for something to publish, they settled on a book of the puzzles from the New York World. This book was an immediate massive hit, and launched the crossword craze worldwide.



The Clues...

- 2-3. What bargain hunters enjoy.
- 4-5. A written acknowledgment.
- 6-7. Such and nothing more.
- 10-11. A bird.
- 14-15. Opposed to less.
- 18-19. What this puzzle is.
- 22-23. An animal of prey.
- 26-27. The close of a day.
- 28-29. To elude.
- 30-31. The plural of is.
- 8-9. To cultivate.
- 12-13. A bar of wood or iron.
- 16-17. What artists learn to do.
- 20-21. Fastened.
- 24-25. Found on the seashore.
- 10-18. The fibre of the gomuti palm

- 6-22. What we all should be.
- 4-26. A day dream.
- 2-11. A talon.
- 19-28. A pigeon.
- F-7. Part of your head.
- 23-30. A river in Russia.
- 1-32. To govern.
- 33-34. An aromatic plant.
- N-8. A fist.
- 24-31. To agree with.
- 3-12. Part of a ship.
- 20-29. One.
- 5-27. Exchanging.
- 9-25. To sink in mud.
- 13-21. A boy.

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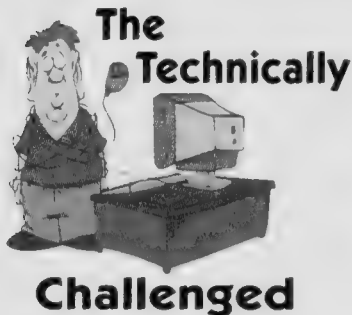
You know people work at the grocery store or the car lot because you go there and see these people at work, but not a lot of us have been in the bush to see a logger at work and probably not to a sawmill or a flooring or window plant but these jobs are here, all in the county in which we live or vacation. Trees cut in the forest in Haliburton County contribute to and create employment for a large percentage of jobs in the county and in the country as a whole. Canada's trade balance (exports minus imports) was \$45.7 billion in 2003. As they do every year, forest products played a major role, contributing \$29.7 billion. Forestry generates income in the county in several ways, second only to tourism.

There is also income into the county indirectly from the local forest industry. Let's say you want a new hardwood floor and instead of the out of town pre-finished style, you choose the locally manufactured, less expensive, unfinished floor. This means you're going to either do-it-yourself or hire a local contractor to install it. Now you need to sand and finish your new floor so this means a trip to the local rent-all for a floor sander

and paper and a trip to another local store to get the finish you want and the tools to apply it. This is but one small example of the employment that can be generated through shopping locally for forest products.

A large number of the trees cut here are shipped to the U.S. in raw form, but processing them locally means jobs here—lots of jobs. Those logs have to be scaled, piled, debarked, sawn, piled, graded, piled, repiled on sticks, kiln dried, sorted, piled, planed and yet again piled. (Lumber gets piled a lot) All of these processes require people doing jobs—jobs in Haliburton County.

So, the next time you pass a log truck on the road think about all the jobs that grew on those trees!



Actual true stories of run-in's with some of life's technically challenged...

One of our servers crashed. I was watching our new system administrator trying to restore it. He inserted a CD and needed to type a path name to a directory named "i386." He started to type it and paused, asking me, "Where's the key for that line thing?" I asked what he was talking about, and he said, "You know, that one that looks like an upside-down exclamation mark." I replied, "You mean the letter 'i'?" and he said, "Yeah, that's it!"

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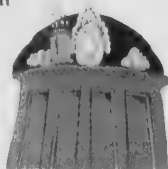
It is illegal to wear a fake moustache that causes laughter in church.

Putting salt on a railroad track may be punishable by death.

Alaska

In Fairbanks, it is illegal to feed alcoholic beverages to a moose.

While it is legal to shoot bears, waking sleeping bears for the purpose of taking a photograph is prohibited.



Helpful Hint...

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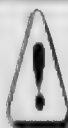
And the lucky winners of the Hyland Taxi-Personalized Limousine Service's "Ride To Win" contest are; Ashley Sharpe of Highland Grove, Hawley Smith of Harcourt, Melissa Lavendar (absent from picture) of Haliburton, and Whitney Muenzel of Stanhope. The four girls have won themselves a round trip in a stretch limousine to a destination of their choice, as specified in the contest rules. The contest was created by Hyland Taxi/ Personalized Limousine Services owner Marty Grant, who ran the contest from September to the end of November. Each time a person booked a ride with Hyland Taxi, they filled their names out on a ballot slip for their chance to win.

The girls say they were really surprised and thrilled to hear the news. "I thought a game was being played on me," says Whitney. "Yeah, I never win anything," added Ashley. "When I got the call I thought I was in trouble or something," joked Hawley. "It makes a nice Christmas gift," they all agreed. For now the girls haven't chosen a destination for their trip yet. "We'll all decide together. We've never gone anywhere as a group. It's going to be amazing," says Ashley. The Limo is a 6 passenger, so the girls are actually allowed to bring along two more friends if they want- so you'll want to stay on your best behavior around the girls if you're hoping to be a chosen friend.

Marty pulled the draw on Nov 28th. "It was kind of funny, because before I had the chance to call the winners, one of them called for a cab. I told her and she was excited for sure." Marty says there was over 1000 entries for the Ride To Win contest and assures all that he will run the promotion again in the new year.

Personalized Limousine Services currently has 2 stretch limos on the road for hire including 6 and 9 passenger cars. The white 9 passenger has recently undergone a huge renovation, including brand new lights, carpeting, air conditioning system and lots more toys. If you are planning to book one for the holiday season, or New Years Eve, or anytime, call 457-9898. To reach Hyland Taxi anytime call 457-1777.

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9-1-1

ANNOUNCEMENT

The County of Haliburton is pleased to announce the launching of 9-1-1 within our borders on December 10, 2004. From that date forward, anyone experiencing an emergency throughout most of the county need only dial a single number (911) to get the emergency assistance they require.

To celebrate the launch and to commemorate the efforts of the team that put the Public Emergency Reporting System together, the County is respectfully inviting its citizens to attend the

9-1-1 Launch Ceremony

December 10, 2004

Noon

County Council Chambers
11 Newcastle Street, Minden

The ceremony will consist of speeches from the Warden and several emergency service agency representatives followed by the ceremonial official first 9-1-1 call.

Refreshments will be served

New Campus Is Impressive To Say The Least

Let the learning commence – and in such an inspiring surrounding – a scenic overview of Haliburton!!

Fleming College officially celebrated the opening of its new campus recently, a day that was made possible because of the generosity of individuals and businesses who have invested in the college and the community, says Barb Bolin, Campus Principal.

The new campus was constructed with a \$5.5 million grant from the province's SuperBuild fund and \$2.5 million in donations from businesses and individuals.

Located on an inspirational setting overlooking Head Lake on land donated by the municipality, the new campus will offer students, three spacious arts studios, six classrooms, a library and a campus store. The heart of the building is a three storey Great Hall with an adjacent gathering place and servery for the community and students.

Special features of the 32,000 square foot building include beautifully

crafted front doors, by mixed media furniture artist Gord Peteran, a recipient of the Jean A. Chalmers National Crafts Award. An inlaid reception desk was designed by Michael Fortune who works and resides in Rideau Hall, the Museum of Civilization and many public and private collections. Wrought iron interior gates in the wings are the work of Reno Petitjean of Creemore whose work has been commissioned by corporations and individuals.

Fleming's Haliburton Campus offers a post-diploma program in Eco and Adventure Tourism Management, a diploma in the Visual and Creative Arts, as well as a range

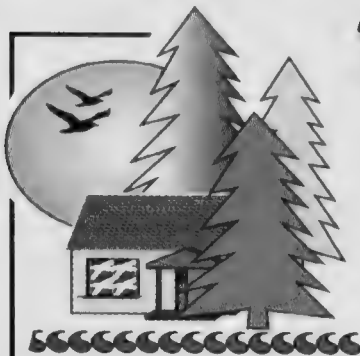
of certificate programs in the arts including glassblowing, jewellery, and textiles, all new this year. In addition, it has programs in Horticultural Apprenticeship and Hardwood Lumber Inspection. A new, five-month program in Sustainable Building Design is scheduled to start in the

spring of 2005. The campus also offers the Personal Support Worker program, part-time studies and contract training.

The renowned Haliburton School of the Arts, a forerunner in the arts education, is an integral part of the campus. About 600 part-time and full-time students attend the campus during the year, and the Haliburton School of the Arts attracted about 3,500 students this summer alone.



Above: The New Campus;
Left: The inlaid counter;
Below left: The Front Entrance with wooden doors; Below: one of the classrooms.



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Lange On The Law



by **Donald J. Lange**
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Land and Lawsuits

Lawsuits involving land are common in the County of Haliburton. Examples are disputes over rights of way and property lines. There may also be a dispute over the purchase of the land itself. A purchaser buys a rural or water front property but the deal does not close. The purchaser wants the property because it is a unique piece of land. He or she is worried that the property may be sold to someone else. What should the purchaser do?

The purchaser should start a lawsuit and claim in the lawsuit a "certificate of pending litigation." A certificate of pending litigation is a legal document that can be registered against the disputed land to prevent the owner from selling the land until the lawsuit is disposed of. To obtain a certificate, the purchaser must first bring a motion before court to establish an "interest" in the land. One example of an interest in land is a lawsuit resulting from an aborted closing of a real estate transaction based upon an agreement of purchase and sale. Upon signing the agreement of purchase and sale, the purchaser gains an interest in the lands. Another example is a lawsuit involving lands owned by a partnership. If a plaintiff seeks a declaration in a lawsuit that he or she is a partner of the partnership, such a claim may establish an interest in the partnership lands.

An owner of land, whether vendor or partner, may seek to discharge the certificate that is registered against the lands. In determining the discharge issue, a court must look at all relevant matters between the parties, including the intent of the party in acquiring the land, whether the land is unique, and whether damages would be a satisfactory remedy to replace the certificate with or without other security in place.

There is an important caveat to remember when considering a certificate of pending litigation. A plaintiff who registers a certificate without a reasonable claim to an interest in land is liable for damages sustained by any person as a result of the registration. Such damages could occur in a rising real estate market because the certificate makes the lands unmarketable for the vendor.

In the next column, I will be talking about the costs of a lawsuit.

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This column has tidbits of real transcripts from real court cases. In other words... the following statements were actually made in a real court of law. Enjoy

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A: Would you repeat that question, please?



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Family Services Vital To Community

Family Services of Haliburton County (FSHC) sprang to life seven years ago in order to consolidate a wide variety of new and existing child and family centred social services. Its mandate is broad and challenging: to find the ways and means to enable children, youth, and their families "to function at their highest potential".

The services offered by this valuable local agency are so vast that we will be covering them on a "one-at-a-time" special feature over



Faye Martin

the next little while. This way you will be able to fully grasp everything this multi-facet organization has to offer – and trust me, its services are vast.

To begin, we give you an overview of Family Services:

Faye Martin has been the Executive Director since Family Services' inception and is a passionate and dynamic defender of society's obligation to nurture, and, where necessary, to protect its children. As

she puts it, "we must guarantee a rightful place for our children in our society, or they will take a wrongful place."

One of Family Services' major goals is to identify and have some contact with all children in the County with special needs, before they reach the school system. These needs could be neurological, emotional, or behavioural: the solutions are tailored specifically to each family and individual situation. Some family support may be all that's necessary: just providing some respite for an over worked Mom for instance, or providing some thoughtful parenting advice for Dad.

Or perhaps providing a few days of fun summer camp. This last summer over 114 kids attended their Summer Adventures Day Camp, for example, and 45 more received respite care, 16, accompanied by individual workers, went to Camps Wanakita or Medeba, and another 46 went to camp by themselves with fund-raised money.

Fully 48% or Haliburton households have incomes of less than \$30,000, which only adds to parental and family pressures. However, the Agency provides services to families from every social and economic background; in fact, fully one in four of the County's children receive some form of support from Family Services each year.

The Family Services staff uses a "holistic" approach to address the needs of each individual child and family. Although the staff has many different disciplines and areas of expertise, the approach is collaborative so that each client, and indeed the community, can receive the benefit of the entire agency experience, if necessary.

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Pictured are the two buildings that house the family services offices in Haliburton

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And, of course, volunteers and the wider community have an essential role in the evaluation and delivery of services. The list of actual services provided is amazing when you consider that along with Ms. Martin and Program Director Barb Fraser the entire staff barely numbers 20.

Family Services provides Haliburton families with education, training, counselling, and therapy. But it's also an umbrella agency that's involved with Legal Aid and Family Advisory Services, the Community Justice Circle, Art Adventures, Food for Thought workshops, Temper Taming projects and many more. The agency has also been partners with the local business community to provide Haliburton's Skate Board Park, and with the OPP and its popular Cops for Kids fishing events.

The agency has also started an innovative "Around a Child" program for fostering difficult to place children within the community.

Family Services has, in just seven years, become an integral part of the Haliburton community. It's willingness to be an upfront advocate for children and their families and to work in an innovative and positive manner with the wider community of schools and businesses was recently recognized by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber voted Family Services "Business of the Year", an unusual, if not unique, tribute to a social agency.

In the coming year in various issues, the Communicator will take you inside some of the different programs and innovative approaches to social issues that Family Services offers the children and families of Haliburton – we hope you look forward to and embrace the in-depth features the many services. Watch for the Family Services logo with each story.

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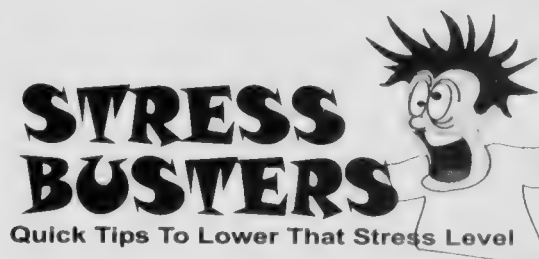
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Ontario Early Years Centre Events For December

Everyone Welcome To Participate!!

MONDAY Dec 6th the Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a **Family Supper Night in Minden.**
Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm.
Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 286-1770 to register.

WEDNESDAY Dec 8th the Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a **FREE Wilberforce Cooking Corner** program.
Held at Lloyd Watson Community Centre from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.
Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 457-2989 to register.

WEDNESDAY Dec 8th the Ontario Early Years Centre, is offering a **FREE Well Baby Clinic.**
Held at Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.
Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 286-1770 to register.

MONDAY Dec 13th the Ontario Early Years Centre is offering a **Family Supper Night.**
Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm.
Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 286-1770 to register.

WEDNESDAY Dec 15th the Ontario Early Years Centre, is offering a **FREE Wilberforce Cooking Corner** program.
Held at Lloyd Watson Community Centre from 10:00 am 12:00 pm.
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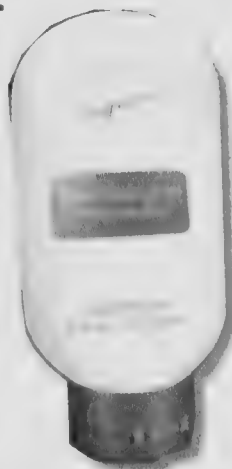
WEDNESDAY Dec 15th the Ontario Early Years Centre, is offering a **FREE Developmental Screening Clinic.** Held at the Ontario Early Years Centre in Minden (behind Sears) from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
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THURSDAY Dec 16th the Ontario Early Years Centre, is offering a **FREE Well Baby Clinic.**
Held at Ontario Early Years Centre in Haliburton (behind Halco Plaza) from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm.
Please phone the Ontario Early Years Centre at 457-2989 to register.

What's HOT on the Shelf?

Face Lift in a Bottle... "The natural facelift"

As we get older, we tend to develop lines and wrinkles on our face and neck. Just a fact of life, but not one we have to live with anymore thanks to many great new products on the market today. Here is one such product that helps reduce lines and wrinkles and improves the color and tone of our skin. We found this particular product at The Magic Touch in the lower level of Stedman's mall in Haliburton. The team there swears by it "You can see a noticeable difference right away," says spa owner Sandi McDavid. "I did a trial on the product on only one side of my face, and right afterwards everyone said my smile looked crooked because my face was lifted so much on the one side. It was the same way the next day. It's incredible. You end up looking better, and it reduces blotchiness. It's an all natural product with no chemicals." If you are interested in trying this new product called "The Natural Facelift", the team at Magic Touch invites you to come in for a complimentary treatment to see for yourself. It is just as effective on men as women. To find out more call The Magic Touch at 457-5043



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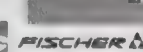
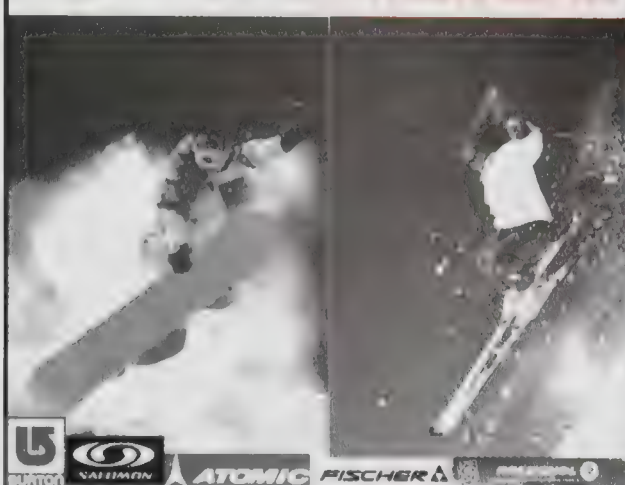
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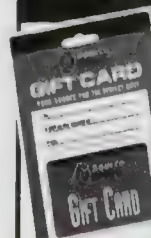
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Cross Country Skiing Season Gearin' Up - Open House Dec. 4

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Make friends with winter this year by giving Cross Country Skiing a try.

The Haliburton Cross Country Ski Club has its home base and clubhouse at Glebe Park in Haliburton. Members have access to about 100 km of trails around Haliburton County. This local club has always provided the best value in skiing and again this year club passes are now valid at Moosewoods.

The Haliburton Highlands Cross Country Ski Club was formed in 1976 to provide skiing and fellowship for its members at a reasonable cost. They are involved with racing and recreational skiing and have been proud to host many races and special events over the years.



For the Seniors:

The seniors group, led by Peter and Margaret Brogden, hit the trails for fun and friendly gatherings on a regular basis throughout the winter. The great thing about skiing is that you're never too old to start, and some of the club members have taken up skiing at age 75.

This group of enthusiasts have been meeting on Tuesdays for over 6 seasons to enjoy each others company, to enjoy exercise outdoors and to explore all of the six ski trail areas that the club memberships give them access to.

The first club meeting is taking place Saturday December 4th from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Glebe Park Clubhouse. During this time you can renew memberships, get photo id for new members, check out the equipment rental programme, take part in a ski swap, and of course, they always welcome volunteers to join in the trail walk with some clippers and tools to get the trails ready for another great season of skiing.

Some of the great events lined up for this year include a New Year's Eve Ski. Lights will be on until 11. This, of course, takes place on December 31st.

January the club will be hosting a race on the 8th, which is also the first Jackrabbit day. January also offers a full moon ski on the 22nd, (and again in February), as well as Free Ski Lessons, and more.

If you are, or know of a potential member who might be interested in discovering this wonderful sport, be sure to check out the Haliburton Cross Country Ski Club so they can keep their membership healthy. High membership levels help organizers provide all the grooming service to keep the trails in perfect skiing condition all winter long.

Volunteer work in lieu of membership is available for anyone who cannot afford membership, because, "no one should go through life without skiing," says Club Chairman, Blake Paton.

Membership entitles you to: unlimited skiing on the Haliburton system, at Moosewoods, at the Frost Centre, at Twin Lakes and at Wanakita. As well you are entitled to Lit asking at Glebe until 9 p.m., liability insurance, access to club programmes and facilities, and to top it off, a great 10% discount at Haliburton Home Hardware.

For more information you may email bpaton@sympatico.ca, or visit the website at www3.sympatico.ca/bpaton/Nordic/hsc.html. For membership information call Joleen Thomas at 286-3649. For information on the Jackrabbit program for kids contact Jane Heyes at 457-1465.

Oh... and for those who may be wondering ... yes.. the Frost Centre trails will still be open this year. The closing of the Frost centre has not, as of yet, affected the trail system, and Ski Friends of the Frost are hoping that the Frost trails will be around for many years to come. Lets hope so!!

For the Youngsters:

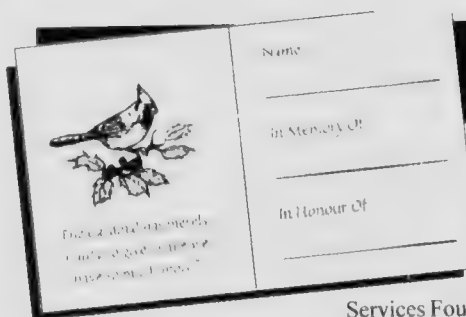
The club will be offering a ski program for children from 4-13 years. Cross Country Canada has revised the skill development program this year. The Bunnyrabbits, for 4-6 year olds, now have their own skill sticker and badge program. The new jackrabbit program for 6-9 years olds has 5 technique levels. There are awards stickers that provide incentives to improve technique, endurance and speed, but the most important goal is to learn that winter and snow provide a great opportunity for outdoor enjoyment and adventure.

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Other services that have a positive effect on the care delivered to all in this county include: expanded x-ray hours at both facilities; Doctors' Clinics, MDS lab, and Chiropodist in the Minden facility;

New nursing positions to devote more individual care to patients; Physiotherapy service in the Minden facility; Two visiting internists to provide specialty care; and a new orthopaedic clinic.

Some of the exciting things that happened and are happening this year with regards to community services include: increased funding for mental health for the first time in ten years; supportive housing also received funding to help individuals stay in their homes longer with proper care; active participation in Doctor Recruitment; and submitted proposals for the Diabetes Education Network and the Community Health Centre.

At Highland Wood and Hyland Crest nursing homes, they received new lift equipment; increased funding, they introduced a new care plan system with will mean more specialized care for the residents; and they had a successful annual inspection by the Ministry.

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In fact, as reported last year in *The Communicator* (*Elk Thinks He's A Horse*"), for a few years The Farm was a happy host to the young and briefly famous Ernie the Elk. Ernie's mum, a member of the Elk herd introduced by the MNR into the Bancroft area, was somehow separated from her herd and decided that Lorrie's horses (and The Farm) would make a perfect second home. Soon she gave birth to Ernie, who was raised with the horses and eventually stayed for two whole years as a welcome member of the family.



Left: The elk who thought he was a horse.
Below: Laurie & Jenny



The Feed & Tack Shop

Lorrie explains that elks and horses seem to share a common language: even the farm dog thought Ernie was just another horse. Last year Ernie was transported (carefully) to Bancroft and introduced to his genetic elk family, and he's now living contentedly off the land.

This fall Lorrie, assisted by Jenny Chatterton, decided to open her own Feed and Tack Store. A full range of feed for all farm animals, dogs, cats, birds, you name it, is now available at her new store right by her farmhouse. And if Lorrie doesn't have the



exact feed you need in stock, she'll be happy to get it for you. A member of the Haliburton County Horseman's Association, Lorrie also supplies many tack items for horse owners and riders.

McCauley Feed and Tack Store is located at 6245 County Rd 6 and is open for business during most daylight hours. You can reach Lorrie and Jenny at 705 754-4224, or by email at lorrie.mccauley@sympatico.ca

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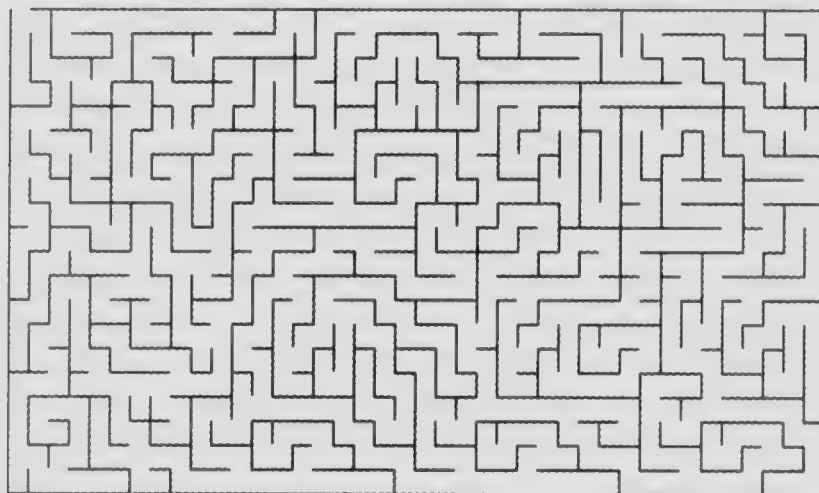
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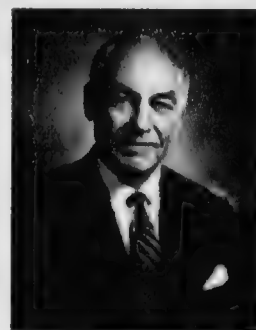
George Gallup

George Gallup was born in Iowa and received his doctorate in journalism from the state university in 1928.

In the early 1930s, he became a journalism professor. He also conducted reader surveys for midwestern newspapers. One of the surveys he conducted for the Des Moines Register and Tribune showed that readers were interested in photography. In response, the publishers decided to put out a photo-heavy magazine called Look.

In 1936, Gallup spent \$250,000 on a new polling technique that he was sure would be an improvement upon the then reigning pollster, Literary Digest. Instead of polling a large number of people, Gallup polled a only small representative sampling and forecast the results from that sampling.

The big test of Gallup's system came during the 1936 presidential campaign. The Literary Digest polls had shown that Alf Landon would be the next president. Gallup's results showed that Franklin Roosevelt would win. Gallup's prediction proved to be correct, which is why the name Gallup, and not Literary Digest, is now synonymous with polling.



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The Wilberforce Santa Claus Parade will hit the streets of downtown Wilberforce on Sunday December 12th at 12:30 in the afternoon. All are welcome to come on out and enter a float. After the parade, Good Ol' Saint Nick will be on hand at the Lloyd Watson Centre and gifts will be given out to all youngsters 10 years old and younger. Enjoy Christmas carols and goodies, and get your child's photo taken with Santa.

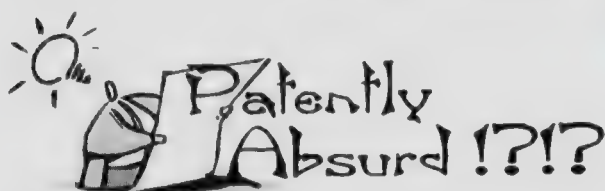
To enter a float, help out in any way, or if you have any questions, please contact Lynn Waugh at 448-3674.

Santa Workshop Craft Sale

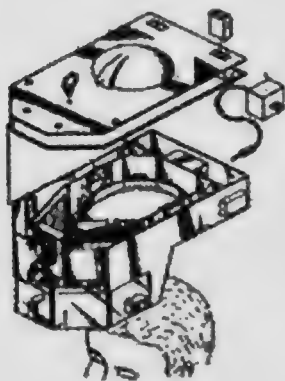
Get ready to get a jump on Christmas Shopping with some unique locally handcrafted gifts you will find at Santa's Workshop Craft Sale and Flea Market being held Saturday December 4 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce.

This event is held by the First Wilberforce Pathfinder Unit as an annual fundraiser. There is a snack bar available and silent auction.

For more information please contact Kathy Rogers at 448-2419. Vendors are welcome.



This column features real patents from real inventors, but not products we will probably see on the shelf too soon...



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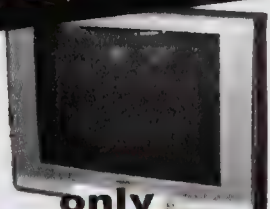
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Love on the run

It is a phenomenon no behavioural scientist can explain, but in the case of Mary and Tim, a strange chemistry was at work



It can sometimes be a problem if female lawyers fall for their male clients, as Max Haines explains in Crime Flashback

BY NO STRETCH of the imagination could you call Tim Kirk a pillar of the community, unless that community was Bushy Mountain State Prison in Tennessee.

Tim started out bad and ended up bad. He was raised in Chicago and was an accomplished street fighter before he reached his teens. He was absent from school most of the time until he dropped out altogether. His parents, hard-working decent folks, attempted to straighten out their boy. They sent him to Junior Military Academy in South Chicago. Tim hated every minute. His behaviour was so bad, officials at the Academy refused to keep him in the school.

By the time Tim was 15, he was holding up liquor stores and convenience stores. He had a steady girlfriend, Junine Fav, who sometimes accompanied him on his armed robberies. Not all his sojourns into crime were successful. Sometimes he ended up in various Illinois correctional facilities for young offenders. Junine visited him and was always there when he was released.

When Tim and Junine were 18, they married. Junine worked as a welder. Tim worked at odd

jobs, but most of his time was devoted to holdups and short sentences spent in prison. In 1968, he received his longest sentence to that point — a year in the Missouri State Penitentiary.

Junine remained loyal. Between robberies and prison sentences, Junine gave birth to three sons. She pleaded with her husband to go straight, but after Tim struck her several times in a fit of temper, Junine left him.

Tim's police record grew. On several occasions, he attempted to escape from prison. Finally, the system threw the book at him. He was sentenced to 65 years. By 1980, Tim was incarcerated at Bushy Mountain, one of the toughest prisons in the U.S.

In Feb. 1982, Tim Kirk ended a long-standing feud between some black and white prisoners. He killed two black inmates with a handgun.

Life never the same

This then was Tim Kirk, con artist, armed robber, habitual criminal and alleged murderer, when he met his lawyer, Mary Evans. Mary's life would never be the same. Her background was in sharp contrast to that of Tim Kirk.

Mary was born in Palmersville, Tenn. She was a good student who sailed through school. In 1972, she met Tom Evans while attending the University of Tennessee. Mary and Tom married while both were still in university. Mary was taking law. During Mary's last year of law school, the pair realized the marriage had been a mistake. They agreed to an amicable divorce.

Shortly after, Mary met John Lockridge, a distinguished man more than 20 years her senior. Lockridge was married, but the duo still began an affair.

In June 1981, Mary Evans graduated from law school and obtained a position with the law firm of Tipton and Bell. For a year she worked successfully on minor cases before being given her first major assignment. She was made responsible for the defence

of a habitual criminal, Tim Kirk, on a first-degree murder charge. To lose the case could mean her client would be put to death.

Mary drove to Bushy Mountain to introduce herself. It is a phenomenon that no behavioural scientist can explain, but in the case of Mary and Tim, it happened. A strange chemistry was at work. Mary felt strongly attracted to her bearded client. Tim was enraptured, too.

In the following months, Mary visited Tim many times. Their meetings would last several hours. Guards got to know Mary well. Occasionally they would look the other way when the pair held hands.

Diminished capacity

In preparing Tim's defence, Mary had arranged to have him evaluated by an Oak Ridge psychiatrist, Dr. Gary Salk. Apparently, it was her idea to qualify Tim for a diminished capacity defence.

A week earlier, Mary had called Dr. Salk's office to set up the appointment. She examined the layout of the offices, explaining to the doctor that the guards accompanying the prisoner like to know in advance where to position themselves. Nonchalantly, she mentioned that she was sure the doctor wouldn't mind removing all restraints from her client in order to enable him to perform the manual tests. Dr. Salk agreed.

Unknown to everyone, Mary and Tim had planned an escape.

Three uniformed guards accompanied Tim Kirk and Mary Evans to Dr. Salk's office. The prisoner's handcuffs and leg irons were removed. Over two hours of testing took place before Tim Kirk slowly drew his .25 calibre revolver. He waved the weapon methodically and calmly announced, "All right, now, understand this, I don't want to hurt anybody."

The guards were disarmed and made to lie on the floor. Mary provided Tim with tape. As Tim secured the guards, he passed his revolver to Mary. Now there was no doubt in the witnesses' minds. Lawyer Mary Evans was an accomplice. Dr. Salk was made to join the guards on the floor.

Tim quickly took off his prison garb and donned civilian clothing provided by Mary. The pair dashed out of the building to Mary's Toyota and made good their escape.

Back in Dr. Salk's office, one of the guards managed to free himself after an hour. He hopped to a telephone. The word went out.

The day after the escape, April Fool's Day, 1983, Mary's Toyota was found abandoned. The news of the strange alliance made headlines throughout the South. The burning question — where was the

wanted couple?

Mary and Tim kept moving. Mary had withdrawn her savings, which enabled them to stay mobile. Using aliases, they rented a car and drove to Florida. Once there, they rented a house, bought groceries and settled in. It was a tense life, but Tim had his freedom and Mary had her man. A month passed. The couple thought it prudent to move.

As their money ran low, they planned a robbery. But as luck would have it, someone else with similar features to Tim held up a bank in Sarasota. Tim knew the place would be swarming with FBI agents. The pair headed for the northeast coast of Florida. They managed to live off small loans wired to them by friends, but it couldn't last.

A Western Union clerk recognized Tim from a wanted poster. In minutes, Mary and Tim were in custody. The lovers had been at large for 139 days. Upon her return to Tennessee, Mary's licence to practise law was

revoked. She would be eligible to regain her licence in five years. Mary was found guilty of aiding and abetting a jail escape and was sentenced to three years imprisonment. Ten months later, she was paroled.

While Tim was at large, he was found guilty of two counts of manslaughter in the cases of the two men killed in prison. He received an additional 40-year prison term. Tim Kirk will not be eligible for parole until 2048.

It didn't take long for love to fade. On May 24, 1985, Mary Evans married Bill Evans, her former husband's first cousin. On Aug. 10, 1985, Tim Kirk married Mary Paris in the exercise yard of Bushy Mountain State Penitentiary.

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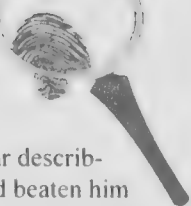
Max will be signing his new book, *Instruments Of Murder*, on Saturday, Dec. 4, at Coles, Square One in Mississauga at 10 a.m. and at Coles, Sherway Garden.



— SUN files
■ MARY EVANS, right, was on her way to a promising career as a lawyer when she met Tim Kirk, left, who was serving a lengthy sentence.



Who Dun-It



The young teenager sat in the police car describing to detective Minden the boy who had beaten him up and stolen his wallet. He also gave a good description of the vehicle the assailant had driven away in- a blue camaro.

Joe Grimey was stopped driving a vehicle that fit the description in the area. He fit the description of the assailant. The young teenager identified Joe as the boy who'd beat him up and robbed him. Joe denied it.

Minden questioned him about where he was during the robbery.

"I was sitting in the hamburger restaurant having dinner. I was there for about 20 minutes," said Joe.

"O.K, so if you were there, there must have been someone there that saw you in there and can back up your story right?" said the detective.

"Well, probably not. I took my tray and sat way in the back of the restaurant. I don't think anyone would have seen me there, even though I was there for a long time having my dinner," Joe said.

"Well, it looks like it's your word against the young lad here Joe. It looks bad for you unless you can find some reason for him to lie, or you can come up with a better alibi," explained Minden.

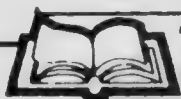
"Wait a minute. I can prove I was there. I've got my empty bag from the restaurant with some fries left in it. There's my proof!" exclaimed Joe.

"Really Joe, I think you'll have to do better than that. You can bag your story. You're coming down to the station. Where's this kids wallet?" said Detective Minden.

What clue broke down in Joe's story?

answer pg. 53...

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Dining and Entertainment

The Old Country House

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On May 17th, 1981, Ute Carl proudly opened the doors of her brand-new restaurant on Highland Street in Haliburton. Named "The Old Country House", the restaurant featured the cuisine of Ute's native Germany, with a few Canadian additions.

Ute had immigrated to Haliburton with her two young sons the year before and made the great leap of faith in her new community by devoting all her energies and resources to the new business. Ute knew Haliburton a little – her father had bought land here in the early 1960s – but it was still largely terra incognita.

The first years were certainly challenging, but as Ute says, "the community always supported me, right from the beginning." From the day it opened, The Old Country House conveyed a European dining ambience that was relatively new to the County. That, combined with generous portions of interestingly prepared versions of German Schnitzel and Rouladen,

ensured a tenuous, but definite success. As well, the restaurant had a liquor license, still a rarity in Dysart et al at that time.

During the early 1980s, winter business was scarce in Haliburton, but Ute persevered and within a few years started to plan the first of many expansions. Her son Christophe, along with brother Marcus, had made a little boy's living washing dishes (at 50 cents an hour!) when the restaurant opened, but soon Christophe was taking chef courses at George Brown College in Toronto.

In the late 80s Christophe returned to become the full time Chef, and a few years later Marcus joined as Maitre d' and Wine Steward.



Christophe, Ute & Marcus

The last 20 years has seen an astonishing revolution in restaurant tastes and expectations. Cuisines and "fusions" of cuisines from all across the world that only a few years ago were unheard of now inhabit buffets next to the Prime Rib and the jelly salad. Chef Christophe has guided his menus through this tumultuous time with innovation and care. Trying to ride the waves of restaurant fashion can be an exhausting, and often unprofitable journey. So Christophe has strived to have a consistent, yet innovative,

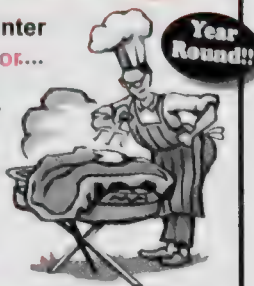
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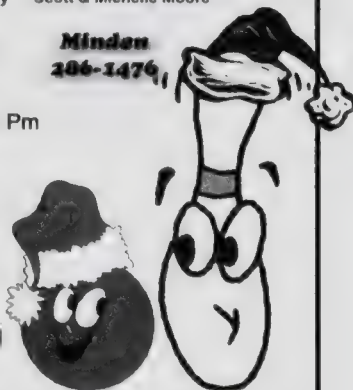
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Merry Christmas & Happy Safe Holidays

Please Don't Drink and Drive



Old Country House Features Exotic Mouth-Watering Menu

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thrust to his dishes. He invariably uses organic ingredients whenever possible. And he buys his meats and poultry exclusively from high-end Canadian farms and suppliers.

So a typical menu will feature a Grandview Farms bison Burger, or Ontario Lamb Burger with tomato, lettuce, onion and a tzaziki sauce. Other items are Pasta with Quebec grain fed chicken breast with a basil pesto, a Roasted Ontario Rack of Lamb stuffed with goat cheese and bacon, or for lunch an Omelette

of the day with organic greens.

In the mid 1990s, Marcus offered an excellent and unusual wine list featuring exclusively Ontario wines. This was a timely and bold marketing move that perfectly matched the growing appreciation for and quality of Ontario's wines. And The Old Country House still features Ontario wines, along with other carefully chosen European and American wines. In fact, both the cuisine and the wine list seem to reflect accurately and



The Old Country House in
Haliburton

with imagination the happy jumble of 21st century restaurant tastes.

Ute Carl and her sons have overseen two major expansions, the first featuring the outdoor patio, and the second the extensive and welcoming bar and fireplace lounge. Seating capacity, at close to 80, is easily double the original.

The Old Country House also provides a catering service for gatherings large and small, weddings, birthdays, or for any occasion.

The winters are still long, and restaurant clientele is, if anything, more demanding, but Ute justifiably takes great pride in the continued success and evolution of this family business. And if you look hard enough, you can still find Sautéed Pork Schnitzel with a lemon, thyme, and mushroom sauce, or Grilled Bratwurst with Rosti potatoes and Sauerkraut proudly on the menu.

For winter hours, and reservations, please call The Old Country House at 457-2301.

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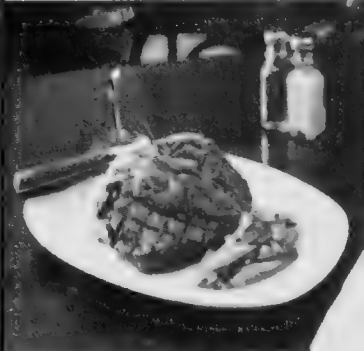
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Dance fans young and old should mark their calendars for 2 p.m., Sunday, December 12 when William Orlowski, one of Canada's greatest tap dance artists, will perform in Haliburton at the Northern Lights Pavilion at the high school.

Orlowski is one of the founders of the National Tap Dance Company of Canada. He has won many awards for choreography, and made numerous appearances on television, film and stage. His one-man show is an energetic and moving display of virtuoso tap dancing. But this is more than just a dance show. Orlowski knows how to use the rhythmic and narrative potential of dance and music to tell poignant and evocative stories about gender role stereotyping, inter-generational issues, peer pressure, conflict resolution and fulfilling the expectations of others.

Real boys don't dance — they play football. Right? "Tap Dancing Sam" tells the story of Patrick, a 10 year-old torn between the expectations of his father, who wants him to be a football player, and his grandfather Sam, a former vaudeville star, who wants to encourage Patrick's gift for dancing. Patrick enjoys doing both, but finds himself caught in the middle trying to fulfil the ambitions of others, instead of deciding for himself.

The dilemma becomes acute when Sam is seen dancing in the street — to the cheers of some and to the derision of others. Patrick is embarrassed and when his father finds out he has been secretly taking dancing lessons from Sam, the problem explodes! While the story is intended for families with children 5 to 12, the show is a special opportunity for local dance fans to see one of the best dancers in Canada.

Tap dancing traces its roots to the ships of the slave trade, as African slaves were brought up on deck and ordered to exercise along with the European sailors. The result was a blend of the intricate footwork of step dancing with the African style of gliding, dragging or shuffling with the whole body flexible and at ease. Tap dance was most popular in the 1930s and 1940s, but has had a

revival in the 1970s with the musical "No, No, Nanette." There are two local dance studios offering tap dance lessons for children and adults: Heritage Ballet and Haliburton Dance Arts.

A dance show of a very different kind will be presented in Haliburton in March, when the Kahurangi Maori Dance Theatre comes to town. The Maori are the aboriginal people of Australia and New Zealand, and this company was formed in 1984 with the aim of revitalizing Maori culture while providing cultural, educational and employment opportunities for young Maori people. The show includes hand-crafted costumes,

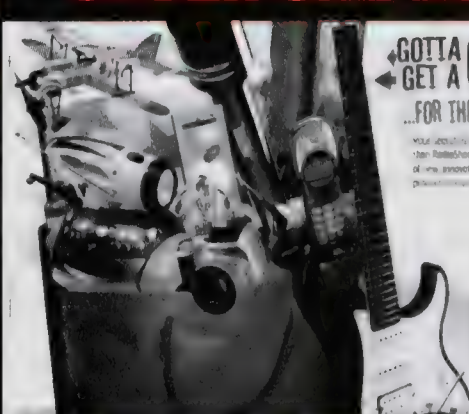
traditional Maori dances as well as selections from other island nations of Polynesia, and narration to help us understand the dances with information about language, lifestyles, beliefs and history.

And the other Razzamataz shows will be great, too! In January the Funky Mamas will come to play "Music for Families." Six mothers with 15 children between them have been performing together since 1988. These generous Mamas help kids feel comfortable to boogie down, giggle and sing along to their infectious tunes. Even better, reviewers emphasize that, unlike some children's performers, the Mamas play music that both parents and their children can enjoy.

Dufflebag Theatre returns to YMCA Camp Wanakita in April with "Peter Pan." If you saw their performance of "Beauty and the Beast" a few years ago, you will remember the magic they create on stage with four actors and some volunteers from the audience, and you'll want to be there again!

With a schedule this good, you will want to purchase a season pass for all four shows for \$20. Passes can be purchased at the first show, or in advance from Amy Klose at 457-4266. Single admission tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for kids. Children under 2 are free.

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Lots Has Happened At The Lounge Cafe Duing It's 1st Year...

The next 'Open Stage' is on Dec. 4th and it is also the 1yr. Anniversary of The Lounge Cafe, the popular "open jam" host tucked away on Hwy 118 just east of the intersection of Hwy 35 and Hwy 118 in Carnarvon.

Owners Mark Christiano & Claudette Pitre would like to invite everyone out on the December 4th Open Stage night for a celebration!!! There will be food and prizes and lots of wonderful music to help celebrate their 1st anniversary.

Open stage is a chance for music makers and music lovers to join together for an evening of local entertainment. If you are a player, bring you tambourine, drum sticks, saxophones, guitars, banjos, or washboards - whatever ... and showcase your talents. Jam with others, or perform with your group or solo. If you are a music lover, you can be part of the audience and enjoy a fantastic social evening out. The Open Stage music jams are held the first and third Saturday evening of every month. Music starts at 8:00pm. You can come to just listen or to perform. All ages are welcome. Performers should arrive early and sign up!

More Than Music At The Lounge Café...

The Lounge Café is more than a spot for musicians to congregate. You can visit this unique and always friendly café Thursday to Saturday from noon to 10 p.m. and Sunday's from noon to 5 p.m. and see what else it has to offer.

For example, if you love exotic coffees, teas and juices, you'll love The Lounge Café.

If coffee is your drink, you have a nice choice. From a terrific cup of joe, to lattes, cappuccino, mochacino, and espressos. All coffees are organically grown and fair trade.

If tea is your bag, the Lounge Café offers an impressive tea menu featuring a nice assortment of black, herbal and green teas. From black teas such as: Lapsang Souchong, Rooibos Province, and Monk's Blend to Herbal teas such as Bubble Gum Tea, Raspberry Leaf, Blackberry, Angel Falls Mist, Ginger Pieces, and Peppermint - you won't be disappointed. Their Green teas include Genmaicha, Sencha, and Kyoto Cherry Rose.

Belly up to the juice bar with choices such as fresh squeezed orange or grapefruit juice. Or if Lemonade is your thing, you'll think you died and went to heaven after trying the Lounge Café's Fresh Start Lemonade made with fresh squeezed lemon juice, maple syrup, water and ice.

You can also enjoy juice cocktails and smoothies such as the popu-

lar Throat Soother, which is a tasty blend of apple juice, lemon and fresh ginger, served hot. You might want to try the tasty Immune Booster, which is a healthy blend of carrot, beet, apple and cayenne or garlic. Also on the Smoothie and Cocktail menu is the Liquid Lunch comprised of organic soymilk, bananas and almond butter. Or why not give the Berries Berserk a go - a blend of berries, soymilk, yogurt and bananas.

New on the menu at the Lounge Café is pizza. But, you won't find the traditional kind here - not unless you call Mexican traditional. Or how about a roasted veggie pizza with goat cheese. Or a greek pizza freshly prepared with greek seasoned bbq'd chicken. For you meat lovers, you might want to try the Meatza Pizza featuring Italizn sausage, bacon, mushroom, mozzarella, parmesan and tasty homemade tomato sauce. And of course, you can always customize your pizza with some funky toppings for your choosing.

The Lounge Café also offers delectable desserts to satisfy any sweet tooth. The dessert menu changes daily but has recently included: Chocolate Lover's Chocolate

Cake, Butter Tart Cheesecake with Carmel Icing, Chocolate Cranberry Orange Cheese Cake, Lemon Cranberry Pound Cake, Joe Froggers old fashioned ice-cream sandwich, and Roan's Apple Walnut Pie.

Oh yes... there has been a lot of changes to the little building located on Hwy 118 just east of the intersection of Hwy 35 and Hwy 118 in Carnarvon. Once Mark and Claudette got a hold of it, the building has developed a welcoming, relaxing character that will make you feel at home. Even when it was completely The Hair Lounge opened June 1999 by Mark who is a fantastic hair dresser among other things, the atmosphere of the surroundings were unique and comfortable. Mark is still cutting hair in half of the building which is still home to The Hair Lounge.

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If all this isn't enough, they even house an attractive retail section offering loose teas and accessories, organic fair trade coffees, unique gifts and holistic items - great ideas for Christmas.

The Lounge Café & Hair Lounge is like a one stop "feel good" place to visit. From hair styles, to gourmet pizzas, coffee, tea and desserts, right down to good old down home entertainment - you can find it in the little building just east of Carnarvon - a worthwhile drive from



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Haliburton Wind Symphony Concert Features Special Guest John Miller

The Haliburton Wind Symphony is pleased to present a Christmas Concert with special guest John Miller on Sunday, December 5 at 3 p.m. at the Northern Lights Pavillion.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and \$20 for families. Tickets are available at Master's Book Store in Haliburton and PharmaSave Drug Store in Minden.

For information please call Glen Carter at 457-2862

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Haliburton & Minden – or anywhere

See you at the Lounge!!

Mark & Claudette thank you for your support and hope to see you there!!! For more information check their website at www.theloungecafe.ca or call 489-3311.



Pictured opposite page is Claudette making pizzas, Mark on the Open Jam Stage, and also Mark "cutting" some hair!!

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Win Yeung Chinese Restaurant - You Won't Believe It's The Same Place...

If you haven't been into Win Yeung Restaurant (formerly Kei's) in Haliburton in a while, you won't believe your eyes when you step through the door to the dining room. No more does the entrance take you through a narrow hallway past the washrooms to the restaurant. You enter through glass doors, directly into the dining area that has been completely renovated and looks fantastic. From the roman style pillars, new carpeting, trim and paint, to the new counter and funky lighting, you are sure to enjoy the new atmosphere in Win Yeung Chinese Restaurant.

some major changes to the restaurant since. "We wanted to change the atmosphere in the dining area and create a new feeling. Before people couldn't see into the restaurant when they came in and had to immediately walk past the washrooms. It is much better now," says Alvy.



When I was talking with Alvy, a customer came in and said, "Wow, I thought I was in a different place!" There is now seating for 10 more guests, and Alex and Alvy believe the new look will be good for Christmas and birthday parties and definitely

nicer for family dining. They would love you to come see the new renovations and are offering free appetizers (dine in only) to couples and small groups to come and experience the new Win Yeung.

Of course the pub upstairs is still open at night until 11:30 where you can enjoy the food as well, and take out is still alive

How many of you even knew there was a fireplace in the dining room? "A lot of people ask me about the fire place, but it has always been there. You just couldn't notice it before," says the restaurant's new owner Alvy Cao.

Alvy and her husband Alex purchased the restaurant from the previous owners on July 28th of this year and have done

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and well. Recently, we were offered a taste of a dish we haven't tried called 'Honey Black Pepper Beef'. It was amazing and if you like it a little spicy, it's a dish for you.

If you have never tried the food at the restaurant, now is definitely a better time than ever to check it out. Enjoy an evening out and check out the new renovations as well as Alex's great cooking. Or stay in the comfort of your own home and try their take out.

To reach Win Yeung restaurant for take-out, call 457-9649.

Their hours are 11 a.m.-9 p.m for dining in, 11 till 11 for take out and open Sundays until 3 p.m.



Pictured left and above is the new entrance way to what is a beautiful dining room inside with great food awaiting you.

Pictured is owners Alvy and her husband Alex.



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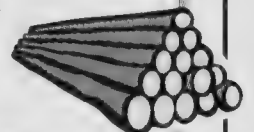


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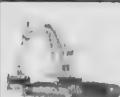
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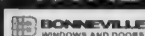
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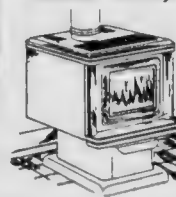
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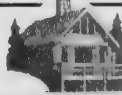
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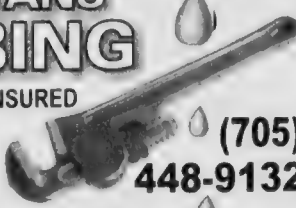


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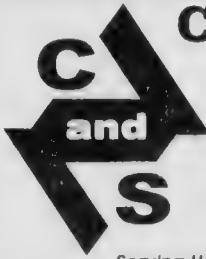


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Apparently, a man who was forlorn after a recent spat with his girlfriend needed some fresh air to clear his head and decided to climb a tower. He stopped for a 6 pack to help clear his thoughts, went to a tower south of Hartford, next to I-91, and climbed it.

Public Service employees later pieced the story together. The man sat there 60 feet above the highway, drank his beer and consoled his bruised ego. After 5 beers, he needed to do what people often need to do after 5 beers. It being such a long hike down, he unzipped and did his business right there off the tower.

Electricity is a funny thing. One doesn't need to touch a wire in order to get shocked. Depending on conditions, 115,000 volt lines, like those supported by the tower, could shock a person as far away as 6 feet.

When the man "whizzed" near the conductor (wire), the power arced up his "stream" (urine is an excellent conductor of electricity), traveled up to his private parts, and blew him off the tower.

The guys at the power company noted a momentary outage on this line and sent repairmen to see if there was any damage. When they got to the scene of the accident, they found a very dead person, his fly down, what was left of his private parts smoking, and a single beer left on top.



We've added a new little filler called what's worse. It will pose silly little thoughts to ponder of what's worse.

What's Worse...

**Dumped for your best friend?
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Photo Solutions Introduces New “Photo-Teller”

Watch what you can do with digitals...

The coolest new toy in Minden is up and running now and waiting for you to come play at Photo Solutions in the Heritage Plaza in Minden. It's the new “Photo-Teller”, and is truly an amazing invention that can change the way you think about digital photography. It may look like nothing more than a fancy computer stand, but can turn your digital photos into almost anything you want to achieve. You can take in your CDs, memory sticks, smart cards, XDs MMC's and plug directly into the system.

The Phototeller is very user friendly and incorporates a touch screen to guide you along on your quest to manipulate, create, or simply print your photos from digital. It's so easy it even talks to you as you go. You can choose which pictures you want to print. You can then crop them, remove red eye, zoom in on the pics, color correct, add borders, and so much more.

Really cool is the fact that you can also turn your pictures into calendars, Christmas cards, greeting cards, business cards - whatever your imagination allows. Then, as you go, you can choose how many pictures you want printed and what quantities, and they will be sent directly to the professional lab in store and give you the best quality prints available. You can choose sizes from wallet size up to 8 X 12, mat or glossy.

If you are in a hurry and your memory card is full, but you need room on your camera, you can even download and put your memories on CD right on the Phototeller. Check this out. It even incorporates an infrared so if you have a cell phone that takes pictures, you simply point it at the Phototeller and it will download your pictures. Too cool!

There are no surprises with the price either. As you are going along, the computer keeps a running total of how much you have ordered and the price. At the end, once you have sent your photo's to print, you will receive a printout receipt/ invoice with your name and account number. What else is neat is that you can archive your photos on the system, so you could tell your friend to go to the Phototeller and with your account #, access the photos when you're not there and print the ones they want. Perfect for sharing pictures.

As Photo Solutions owner Lori Roberts says, “Our theory here is to try to keep things simple. This way people can come in and print only the pictures they want off a CD or memory card. You choose how many prints you want – for example 1 or



400. And the possibilities are endless for being creative with it. I'm still finding new things we can do with it. And look -the quality is the great. It's done right on our lab. I imagine in time I'll have to get a few of these Photo Tellers in here.”

It's hard to tell everything that this new “toy” can do in a couple paragraphs. The best thing to do now is just head in to Photo Solutions in Minden and talk to the staff. They will be more than happy to assist you with the Phototeller and any digital questions that you may have. To reach Photo Solutions, call 286-6011.

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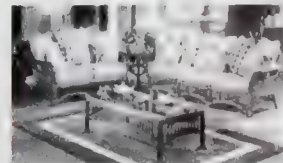


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Answers on pg. 49

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Answers to Spot The Differences

... from pg. 48

one tassel from girls scarf missing
boys headband is all blue
girl missing eyebrow
girl is frowning not smiling
one crease in sled missing
part of girl's hair missing
boy's eyes are bigger
boy's shoes are different colour
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New Business

Jewels: A Gem of a Store

A jewelry store in Minden you say? Yes it's true. 'Jewels', located in the front of Golden Stationers in downtown Minden officially opened on November 26th to the delight of many area residents. The business is the brainchild of Minden resident Sharon Joyce, and is operated with the help of her daughter Lisa Farr.

"I saw a need for the business in the Minden area," says Sharon. "I'd been thinking about it for a while. Actually my five-year-old grand daughter always wanted to play with my jewelry. She's addicted to it. So partially she's responsible for the

business and got me seriously considering it."

Jewels carry only the finest solid sterling silver and 10 or 14

carat gold. They deal only in genuine gemstones also. "All our gemstones are genuine - not lab or man created," assures Sharon. You can find rings, necklaces, chains, pendants, watches, earrings, bracelets and more in the small store. However, to answer the question everyone has been asking Sharon and Lisa, - No they do not do jewelry repairs. At least not at this time. However it is in the plans for the future.

"We are planning on keeping the store small," says Lisa. Sharon adds, "We

want to stay small so we can always serve our customers well. However, we're not going to be a 'fly by night' - we're here to stay. Our overhead is kept low here and I do all my own buying so there is no middleman. We can keep our prices excellent and have a guarantee to our customers - a 100% refund if any item we sell appraises for less than the sale price. Our motto is 'Fine Jewelry at Fine Prices'."

Sharon and her husband Larry moved to the Minden area 3 years ago to be closer to their daughter and her husband Jeff. Larry is currently the bank manager at the TD bank in Minden.

Sharon was a nurse for over 20 years and always had a interest in jewelry. "It took a lot of research to find all the suppliers. Some as far away as Hawaii and Italy. We also always have a good variety of birthstones on display each month."

The store is open Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30- 1 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 9:30 to 5 p.m. "The response has been super. Chuck (Golden) has been wonderful to us here. We think it's a good location and invite everyone to come in and see what we have here. We also have layaway available and gift certificates available."

To reach Jewels call 457-0045. The number is not a typo; it is a 457# because it is actually a cell phone for now because of the location in Golden Stationers.

By the way, the winners of the grand opening draws are as follows; Lisa Schrader, Gail Crowe, Yvonne Hogg and Heather Godfrey. Congrats and contact Sharon or Lisa if you haven't already claimed your prizes.

Be sure to check out this little Gem of a store in Minden. (Pun intended!!)



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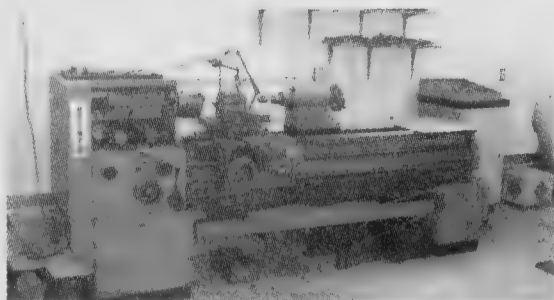
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Gus and Maureen are happy to be in Haliburton full time and welcome the chance to see old friends and service new clients. Drop in at their shop to say hello, or phone

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Highlands Precision Machining has just opened for business at 101 Industrial Park Drive in Haliburton. Gus and Maureen operated a similar business in the GTA for the past 10 years and their impressive shop and equipment show off their professional qualifications to advantage. Gus and Maureen have a keen understanding of the needs of small business owners who need jobs completed quickly, economically and competently.

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There were 8 sams in the last issue. They were hidden in
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Churko Electric, Minden Home Hardware, Outdoors Plus

The winner of last month's Spot Sam contest is
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How to win?... We did a story on Win Yeung's
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Win Yeung Renovations - pg. 42 & 43

- 1: What are the new owner's names?
- 2: What are their take out and dine in hours?
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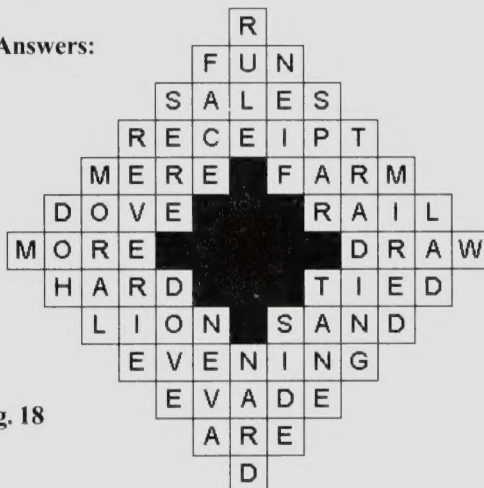


COOL PIC OF THE MONTH

Okay... so how many law suits resulted from this sign, when people missed the part about the bridge being out ahead.... let alone the suits that followed when they cut themselves on the sharp edges despite the warning!!



Crossword Answers:



... from pg. 18

The winner of last month's draw for "The Night Away For Two" is:
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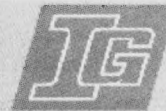


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Wilberforce Full Gospel Church:

Dec. 4 - Christmas Concert

Contact Sue Ellison at 448-3378 for info. All welcome to attend.

Anglican Parish - December Events

St. George's Haliburton:

Sunday worship: 8 & 9:30 a.m.

Church School (nursery - high school)

St Margaret's Wilberforce:

Sunday worship: 11 a.m.

Interim Priest: The Rev. Sharon Melvin

St. George's - Haliburton:

Dec. 9 - A Christmas Festival of Readings and Carols

St. George Anglican Church Mountain Street Haliburton
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\$5.00/person All proceeds to the 4C's Foodbank

Dec. 12 - St. George's Sunday School Christmas program

Presented during the morning service - 9:30 a.m.. All welcome.

Dec. 24 - Family friendly service

of Holy Eucharist with the Silver Flutes - 9:30 a.m.

Dec. 24 - Carols sing

7 p.m. - followed at 7:30 p.m. with Holy Eucharist.

St. Margaret's - Wilberforce:

Dec. 25 - Holy Eucharist.

10 a.m.

Both Churches on December 26th will be having a service of Lessons & Carols at regular service times.

The United Church - CHRISTMAS SEASON EVENTS

Zion United Church, Carnarvon - 9 a.m. Sunday Service

Maple Lake United Church - 10 a.m. Sunday Service

Minden United Church - 11 a.m. Sunday Service

Wednesday, Dec. 1 - Christmas in Carnarvon

at Zion United Church 7:30 p.m. All ladies from the area are invited to join in what has become a tradition of gathering together, in preparation for the celebration of Christ's birth.

Come and bring a friend.

Sunday, Dec. 5 (Advent II - Peace)

-Communion Sunday at Zion United Church and Minden United Church

-Soup and Sandwich Luncheon will be held downstairs at Minden United Church following the morning worship service. Come worship with us and stay for a delicious lunch. Lunch is by donation, and everyone is welcome.

Tuesday, Dec. 7 - Blue Christmas Service

at Minden United Church 7:00 p.m. - The Highland Hills Pastoral Charge is offering this Blue Christmas Service, which recognizes that Christmas is not always a happy time for everyone. Come for a meditative service to offer to God through music and prayer your pain and desire for healing.

Sunday, Dec. 12 (Advent III - Joy)

-White Gift Sunday

at Zion and Minden United Churches. Food and monetary contributions will be accepted at our morning worship service, to support the local Christmas Baskets and the Food Bank.

-Lessons and Carols Service

at 10:00 a.m. presented by the Maple Lake United Church Choir.

-Family Christmas Carol Sing-along

at 7:00 p.m. at Minden United Church. Everyone from the community is invited to bring their family and enjoy an hour of Christmas Carolling and fellowship.

Sunday, Dec. 19 (Advent IV - Love)

-Lessons and Carols Service

at 9:00 a.m. presented by the Zion United Church Choir.

-Cantata Service

at 11:00 a.m. presented by the Minden United Church Choir.
Christmas Eve, Dec. 24

-Family Service

7 p.m. at Minden United Church

Communion Service

9 p.m. at Maple Lake United Church

Sunday, Dec. 26

11 a.m. Joint Service at Minden United Church

Sunday, January 2, 2005 (Epiphany)

Joint Service and Communion

11 a.m. at Minden United Church

Wilberforce United Church December Events:

Dec. 4 - Craft Sale

at the Lloyd Watson Centre – Hosted by the Wilberforce United Church from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Sunday Dec. 12 – Ecumenical Community Carol Service

At the Wilberforce United Church at 7 p.m. Refreshments following. Everyone Welcome.

Harcourt Community Chapel December Events:

Dec 12 – Christmas Concert

At the Harcourt Community Chapel – 7 p.m. Contact Charlie Hughes at 448-2273. All welcome to attend.

Dec. 19 – Christmas Carol Service

Beginning at 7 p.m.

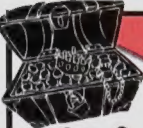
Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve Program

9 – 12 p.m. at the Chapel in Harcourt.

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Dec. 19 - Christmas Candlelight Service

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